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C O N F I D E N T I A L JERUSALEM 1265

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: SOCI, PFOR, XF

SUBJ: VATICAN ACTION ON MIDDLE EAST ISSUES

1. APOSTOLIC DELEGATE MSGR. LAGHI TOLD US NOVEMBER 6 THAT VATICAN HAD CALLED IN EGYPTIAN AND SYRIAN AMBASSADORS ACCREDITED TO HOLY SEE AND HAD GIVEN THEM MESSAGES ON PRISONER-OF-WAR ISSUE. GENERAL PURPORT WAS TO URGE ARAB STATES TO PROCEED WITH EXCHANGE OF PRISONERS. VATICAN HAS INFORMED ISRAELIS OF THIS MOVE. LAGHI SAID THE POPE HAD SENT MESSAGE TO KING HUSSEIN, BUT THIS HAD DEALT WITH LARGER ISSUES OF NEED FOR PEACE, ETC. KING HAD MUCH APPRECIATED THE POPE'S ACTION, ACCORDING TO LAGHI.

2. LAGHI HIMSELF CHARACTERIZED EFFORTS OF ARABS TO USE POW ISSUE FOR LEVERAGE ON ISRAELIS AS VERY ILL-ADVISED AND COUNTER-PRODUCTIVE.  
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